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I. Financial Aid

BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY NEED-BASED TUITION AWARDS

Located in Waltham, Massachusetts on 235 attractive suburban acres, Brandeis University is in an ideal location just nine miles west of Boston. Named for the late Justice Louis Dembitz Brandeis of the U.S. Supreme Court, Brandeis combines the faculty and resources of a world-class research institution with the intimacy and personal attention of a small liberal arts college.



In addition, the Wien International Scholarship Program at Brandeis University has been committed to furthering international understanding, providing foreign students an opportunity to study in the United States, and enhancing the lives of all students at Brandeis. More than 800 students from over 100 countries have come to Brandeis as Wien Scholars. The program provides either full or partial need-based tuition awards to applicants who have demonstrated outstanding academic and personal achievement.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/zPe4Sh

JACK KENT COOKE FOUNDATION UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS



The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is a private, independent foundation established by Jack Kent Cooke to help exceptionally promising students reach their full potential through education. Launched in 2000, the Foundation focuses in particular on students with financial need.

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship makes it possible for the nation's top community college students to complete their bachelor's degrees by transferring to a four-year college or university. The Foundation provides up to \$30,000 per year to each of approximately 50 deserving students selected annually, making it the largest private scholarship for two-year and community college transfer students in the country.

Each award is intended to cover a significant share of the student's educational expenses – including tuition, living expenses, books and required fees – for the final two to three years necessary to achieve a bachelor's degree. Awards vary by individual, based on the cost of tuition as well as other grants or scholarships he or she may receive.

To be eligible for the program, students must be nominated by the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Faculty Representative at their two-year institution. Students cannot apply directly to the Foundation. Each two-year college may nominate up to four students (depending upon institution enrollment) each year to be considered for the scholarship.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/z1imMp

NEW SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

THE NEW SCHOOL

The New School is a legendary progressive university comprising schools bound by a common, unusual intent: to prepare and inspire its 10,510 undergraduate and graduate students to bring actual, positive change to the world. In addition to its 88 graduate and undergraduate degree-granting programs and majors, the university offers certificate programs and more than 650 continuing education courses to more than 6,350 adult learners every year.

The New School provides a generous program of scholarships and fellowships to degree students based on need, merit, or a combination of the two. We offer ten fellowships and scholarships specifically for international students. These fellowships and scholarships are designed to draw students from a variety of countries and regions around the world.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/AIDsu2

ATLAS CORPS FELLOWSHIPS FOR NON-PROFIT LEADERS

Atlas Service Corps, Inc. is an international network of nonprofit leaders and organizations that promotes innovation, cooperation, and solutions to address the world's 21st century challenges. Our mission is to address critical social issues by developing leaders, strengthening organizations, and promoting innovation through an overseas fellowship of skilled nonprofit professionals.



The Atlas Corps Fellowship is a 12-18 month, professional fellowship for the world's best nonprofit leaders. Fellows serve at Host Organizations to work on issues that complement their expertise and learn leadership skills, while sharing best practices. This prestigious fellowship includes health insurance, the Atlas Corps Nonprofit Management Series training program, flight and visa costs, and a living stipend to cover basic expenses (food, transportation, housing).

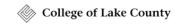
For eligibility, applicants must be under the age of 35, have at least a Bachelor's degree, be proficient in English, have two or more years of experience in the nonprofit/NGO/social sector, and be committed to returning to their home country after the 12-18 month Fellowship.

Atlas Corps will be considering applications on a rolling basis. Apply by January 29th to be considered for the June 2012 class; applications received after that date will be considered for our September 2012 class.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/wQw3jh

II. Campus News

NEW SUMMER INTENSIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM AT COLLEGE OF LAKE COUNTY



College of Lake County is pleased to announce the Summer Intensive English Language Program for F-1 international students! Introduced to accommodate students unable to study abroad for a long period of time, this is a great experience for students who want to become proficient in English and already have intermediate to advanced English skills.

The program is June 4 - July 27, 2012 in which you will learn reading, writing, listening, speaking and grammar skills. The cost for tuition and fees is only \$1,980! Total financial proof must be \$4,600 to cover tuition, fees, housing, transportation, food, personal supplies, books and medical insurance. We provide housing assistance and free airport pick up! We have a state of the art language lab, writing center with one-on-one tutoring, small classroom environment and only 1 hour from Chicago - the 3rd largest city in the U.S.! What will YOU be doing this summer? Join us at CLC!

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/zeHLcK



THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LAUNCHES MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM



The University of Kentucky Martin School of Public Policy and Administration is pleased to announce a new one-year intensive Master of Public Administration program. The MPA program will prepare you for positions of leadership in the public or non-profit organizations.

You will get a strong education in the central knowledge and skill requirements in public policy and administration and a specialization in any one of a number of designated areas: Budgeting and Financial Management, Non-Profit Management, Policy Analysis, Educational Policy, International Policy and Management, Transportation Systems Management, or Gerontology. Or, you could develop individually tailored areas of specialization.

Prospective international students should contact <u>international@uky.edu</u> and visit the link below. **For more information, please visit:** <u>http://bit.ly/xmDWKm</u>







DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONIC RESIDENCY APPLICATION SERVICE FOR FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES



The Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) is a world leader in promoting quality health care — serving physicians, members of the medical education and regulatory communities, health care consumers, and those researching issues in medical education and health workforce planning. ECFMG's Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS), a support service developed by the Association of American Medical Colleges (an ECFMG member), has recently undergone advancements to further assist medical school students and graduates in applying for residency positions in accredited U.S. graduate medical programs.

Among these developments, the number of international medical schools using ERAS has grown, with 95 schools now submitting documents electronically on behalf of their students and graduates. The ERAS new Letter Writer Portal has also been introduced to aid international medical graduates applying for U.S. post graduate training, by allowing letters of recommendation to be requested through and later uploaded directly to ERAS; this feature has seen success in accelerating this part of applying to U.S. programs.

Also accessible through ERAS, on Thursday, February 9th, the National Resident Matching Program will be hosting an informational web conference on the Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program (SOAP). This is one of multiple new web conferences, meant for both international medical schools and their students, which will include complete information on the Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program (SOAP) implemented for Match week 2012, as well as information and guidelines for letters of recommendation, and information on the AAMC's new release date for the Medical Student Performance Evaluation (MSPE). Interested participants can RSVP to erasadmin@ecfmg.org.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/xFcOeo

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE OFFERS NEW ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY DEGREE



Northwestern Michigan College will offer a new degree in Engineering Technology this fall, preparing students for well-paying technical careers in four sub-specialty fields.

The two-year associate degree program will offer all students a broad base of science, technology, engineering and mathematics courses. Students would also choose one of four area of specialization: environmental testing technology, photonics (laser) technology, marine technology or electronics engineering technology.

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, environmental testing offers the greatest job growth, projected at 30 percent by 2018. Photonics is projected to grow by 10 percent, and the other fields 5 percent each. Median salaries in Michigan and the U.S. are above \$57,000.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/wr4Gen





BARD COLLEGE INTRODUCES NEW MBA IN SUSTAINABILITY

In response to the surge in demand for sustainable business strategies and practices, Bard College is introducing its new Master of Business Administration in Sustainability Program. Beginning in 2012, the two-year program is a partnership between the Bard Center for Environmental Policy and the Levy Economics Institute of Bard College.



The program will emphasize core business principles and sustainable business practices, while also focusing on economics, environment, and social equity. Through the MBA program, students will be challenged to integrate three goals: profit, continuous reduction in ecological impact, and stakeholder engagement. Courses will be taught by both Bard MBA faculty and guest lecturers, providing students and professionals with a substantial opportunity to engage with regional and national leaders and practioners in business sustainability.

For more information, please visit: http://bit.ly/x9uAOf

Contact an EducationUSA adviser near you for guidance on finding and applying to an accredited U.S. college or university. EducationUSA.state.gov (Note: students must apply for financial aid directly with the institution listed)

An archive of these and other past financial aid and news announcements is available at EducationUSA.info/financial-aid

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